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SR-71 PHOTOGRAPHY

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS SELECTED EXAMPLES OF INSTALLATIONS IMAGED BY THE FIRST SR-71 OPERATIONAL MISSION FLOWN OVER WESTERN HAINAN ISLAND AND OVER PORTIONS OF LAOS, THAILAND, AND NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION:

AS STATED.

3. MISSION READOUT:

GIANT SCALE \$\phi\phi_2\$, 21 MARCH 1968, COVERS THE WESTERN PORTION OF HAINAN ISLAND, NORTHERN AND CENTRAL LAOS, PORTIONS OF THAILAND, THE HANOI, HAIPHONG AND DIEN BIEN PHU AREAS OF NORTH VIETNAM AND NORTHERN SOUTH VIETNAM. INTERPRETABILITY IS GENERALLY LIMITED BY HEAVY CLOUDS AND HAZE. TWENTY-FOUR SA-2 SAM SITES AND THREE MAJOR AIRFIELDS ARE IMAGED. HAIPHONG IS ONE HUNDRED PERCENT CLOUD-COVERED AND HANOI IS EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT CLOUD-COVERED.

DEPICTED ON THE BOARD IS DIEN BIEN PHU AIRFIELD, NORTH VIETNAM: UTTARADIT AIRFIELD, THAILAND: AND DA NANG AIRFIELD, SOUTH VIETNAM.

4. REMARKS:

EACH EXAMPLE WAS IMAGED BY A DIFFERENT OBJECTIVE CAMERA AND HAS GOOD IMAGE QUALITY.

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